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VOLUNTEERS PERSONNEL

Sergeant Major Jesse Powers of Newport News, Virginia, is Electric Bassist, Vocalist, and Director of the Volunteers. After entering the Army in 1971, he served in six other military bands before his assignment to the Field Band in 1986: the 384th Army Band in Virginia; the 25th Infantry Division Band in Hawaii; the 5th Infantry Division Band in Louisiana; the U.S. Continental Army Band in Virginia; the 2nd Infantry Division Band in Korea; and the 282nd Army Band in South Carolina.

Master Sergeant Parris Spivey of Buffalo, New York, is the Volunteers' **Assistant Director, Guitarist, Vocalist, and Chief Arranger**. Since joining the Army in 1976, he has played in the 25th Infantry Division Band at Schofield Barracks in Hawaii; the 392nd Army Band at Fort Lee, Virginia; and the 1st U.S. Army Band at Fort Meade, Maryland. He joined the Field Band in 1989.

Sergeant First Class Timothy Wells of Chicago, Illinois, performs as **Lead Vocalist** with the Volunteers. He entered the Army in 1983 and served in various locations throughout the United States before joining the Soldiers' Chorus of The United States Army Field Band in 1992. He attended Cameron University in Oklahoma and Enterprise State University in Alabama.

Staff Sergeant John Lamirande of Baldwinsville, New York, is the Volunteers' **Audio Engineer**. He joined the Army in 1986, and served as a bassist, guitarist, pianist, and vocalist with bands at Fort Drum, New York; Fort Devens, Massachusetts; Fort Sill, Oklahoma; and Bad Kreuznach, Germany.

Sergeant First Class Kirk Kadish of Melvindale, Michigan, is the group's **Keyboardist.** He entered the Army in 1990, serving on the faculty of the Armed Forces School of Music in Norfolk, Virginia. He was assigned to the Field Band in 1994. SFC Kadish earned his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Michigan in 1977 and a Master of Music degree from Towson University in 1999.

Sergeant First Class Scott Headley from Newhall, California, is performing as **Drummer** with the Volunteers. Since joining the Army in May 1989, he has served in bands at Fort Knox, Kentucky; Fort Riley, Kansas; Fort Wainwright, Alaska; and Fort Rucker, Alabama. SFC Headley is currently serving at Total Army Personnel Command as the assignments manager for the Army Bands Program.